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TO ALL DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR POSTS PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT

XMT AMEMBASSY KAMPALA

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TAGS: PFOR CVIS US UG

SUBJECT: CLOSURE OF EMBASSY KAMPALA

1. FOLLOWING INFORMATION MAY BE DRAWN ON AS DESIRED FOR EXPLAINING OUR ACTION TO HOST GOVERNMENTS AFTER RPT AFTER DEPT INFORMS POSTS THAT GOU HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED, WHICH WE EXPECT TO BE ON NOV. 8.

2. USG IS WITHDRAWING ITS DIPLOMATIC AND CONSULAR REPRESENTATIVES FROM KAMPALA AS RESULT ACTIONS OF UGANDAN GOV-
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ERNMENT CONTRARY TO ITS INTERNATIONAL OBLIGATIONS WHICH

HAVE CREATED INTOLERABLE CONDITIONS FOR CONDUCT OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS IN UGANDA. GOU ACTIONS HAVE INCLUDED OFFICIAL THREATS AGAINST THE SAFETY AND DIGNITY OF OUR DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIVES. (FYI GEN. AMIN'S PUBLIC THREAT TO ARREST ALL AMERICANS IN UGANDA, STARTING WITH OUR CHARGE, IF US JOINED FIGHTING IN MIDDLE EAST); UNFOUNDED ACCUSATIONS BY HIGH UGANDAN OFFICIALS (FYI NUMEROUS WILD CHARGES BY AMIN, MOST RECENT OF WHICH WAS THAT US, UK AND ISRAELI COMMANDO FORCE WAS PREPARING INVADE UGANDA); AND THE PRECIPITOUS AND UNJUSTIFIED EXPULSION FROM UGANDA OF EMBASSY'S MARINE SECURITY GUARDS ON TRUMPED-UP CHARGES OF "SUBVERSION." USG DOES NOT INTEND BY ITS ACTION TO INITIATE A SEVERANCE OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS BETWEEN THE TWO GOVERNMENTS AND ACCORDINGLY HAS NOT REQUESTED GOU TO TAKE RECIPROCAL ACTION WITH REGARD TO ITS EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON. THERE ARE APPROXIMATELY 220 PRIVATE AMERICAN

CITIZENS, MOSTLY MISSIONARIES, STILL RESIDING IN UGANDA, SOME OF WHOM WILL LIKELY LEAVE FOLLOWING CLOSURE OF US MISSION.

3. EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY NO RPT NO FURTHER COMMUNICATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO EMBASSY KAMPALA EXCEPT BY DEPT, BONN AND NAIROBI AS REQUIRED. URGENT MATTERS DEALING WITH POST CLOSING SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO DEPT (AF/E) FOR ACTION.

4. ALL REQUESTS, INCLUDING CLEARANCES, CONCERNING VISAS FOR RESIDENTS AND FORMER RESIDENTS OF UGANDA SHOULD BE SENT TO EMBASSY NAIROBI, WHERE EMBASSY KAMPALA'S VISA FILES HAVE BEEN TRANSFERRED.

5. ALL POSTS SHOULD CONTINUE TO STRONGLY DISCOURAGE AMERICAN CITIZENS FROM VISITING UGANDA. RUSH

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